

Remarks

Applicant has amended Claims 22 and 29 to correct typographical errors.

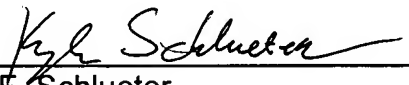
Applicant has added new Claims 44–53. Claim 44 is independent, and Claims 45–53 depend on Claim 44. These new claims are supported, for example, by paragraph [0015] of the original disclosure.

The Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully request the same. If, however, some issue remains that the Examiner feels can be addressed by an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned for authorization.

Respectfully submitted,

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